except under Miscellaneous and Railway. Under Miscellaneous the revised estimate includes the contribution of Rs. 1 lakh already made to the War Fund. The increase in the maintenance and running expenditure of the Railway is more than compensated by the increase in income from Railway which has come to Rs. 93,000.

9. Under Public Works, Education, Forests and Tramway and Matches we are expecting a reduction in expenditure. The reason for the reduction in Public Works is mainly because the reservoir work under the Chittur Irrigation system is not to be taken up in the current year as originally proposed. The savings under Education is largely on account of the drop under leave allowance and establishment; under Forests and Tramway the decrease is accounted for by a fall in the collection and transport charges of timber, and under Matches it is due to the correspondingly smaller contribution that is alone now due to the Government of India following the decrease in the sale of banderols.

10. As per the revised estimate the current year is expected to show a surplus of Rs. 7·87 lakhs as against the original budgetted surplus of Rs. 5·06 lakhs.

BUDGET ESTIMATE OF 1116

11. Taking up the estimates of next year which is our primary duty to discuss at this session the total income under revenue heads for next year comes to the peak figure of Rs. 114·5 lakhs which is in excess of the corresponding figure of the current year by Rs. 6·55 lakhs. Compared to the income of the State just ten years ago, say in 1105, there is an increase of Rs. 20·8 lakhs working up to 22 per cent of the income of 1105. This gives us a clear estimate of the increase in the activities of the Administration in the last decade. Compared to the estimate of last year there is an increase of Rs. 2·25 lakhs under Customs alone. Under Miscellaneous also there is an increase of Rs. 2·25 lakhs. This is due to the receipt on account of transfers made from the Revenue Reserve Fund to the Service heads for meeting special items of work in the next year. Under Railway the gross income for next year shows a rise of Rs. 1·4 lakhs over the budgetted figure of last year. Under Stationery and Printing there is an increase of Rs. 36,000. Under Stamps, compared to the budget estimate of last year, there is a fall of Rs. 90,000.

12. Coming to the budgetted allotments for next year under expenditure, I might point out at the start, that a provision of Rs. 3·25 lakhs is made for starting special works in the Education, Medical

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and Rural Development Departments. Of this Rs. 1·5 lakhs is for building new class rooms and supplying other amenities for Education, Rs. 75,000 is for improvement of Hospitals and Dispensaries and Rs. 1 lakh is for Rural Development works. The provision under Rural Development is distributed as follows.—

1.	Panchayats—			
		Rs.		
	Model Panchayat	12,500		
	Original works such as tanks, wells, tube-wells, roads, etc.	45,000		
	Village libraries	5,000		
			Rs.	62,500
2.	Public Health		,,	4,000
3.	Co-operative		,,	4,000
4.	Agriculture		,,	4,000
5.	Industries		,,	7,000
6.	Uplift		,,	2,000
7.	Rural Development ..		,,	7,000
8.	Ayurveda		,,	7,500
9.	Reserve		,,	2,000
	Total ..		,,	1,00,000

The provision of this Rs. 3·25 lahks is special in the sense that it is appropriated from the surplus in the Revenue Reserve Fund. After the transfer of Rs. 3·25 lakhs the Revenue Reserve Fund would stand at Rs. 6·75 lakhs.

13. Apart from the above special provision, the usual items of expenditure and the usual development works that are provided for from year to year in the annual budgets have been fully provided for. As a matter of fact under Medical increased provision of over Rs. 1 lakh has been provided for the next year. Under Education as compared to the revised estimate of last year there is an excess provision of over Rs. 41,000. In fact economy has been restricted only to the recurring routine expenses of the day to day administration. Economy in routine expenditure coupled with larger provisions for nation building works is the main feature of the budget of next year as it has been also of the current year.

CAPITAL OUTLAY

14. Having finished the remarks under Revenue Receipts and Expenditure I propose to take up the review of Capital expenditure incurred by the State so far.

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APPENDIX I

MEMORANDUM EXPLAINING THE DETAILS OF THE BUDGET ESTIMATES OF 1116

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INTRODUCTORY

The budget estimates can be grouped under the following main divisions.—

i. Receipts (Ordinary)

ii. Disbursements (Ordinary)

iii. Debt Heads

iv. Remittances

The first group deals with the income of the Government whether it be from special taxation or otherwise and the second deals with the expenditure chargeable to it. The third division comprises receipts and expenditure on account of deposits, loans and advances—receipts representing a liability and payments asset. With regard to these the position of the Government is largely analogous to that of a banker. Under the last group appears all cash remittances from one treasury or bank to another, as also those

which are necessitated by the system of exchange account in force between this Government and other Governments and the adjustment of certain departmental transactions before they are finally entered in the accounts.

Along with the budget estimates of next year are shown the budget and revised estimates of the current year and the actuals of the last year 1114.

For facility of reference and to show the progress in the income and expenditure of the State for the last decade two statements covering the last 10 years beginning from 1105 are given below.—

STATEMENT No. 1

Year	Receipts Rs. lakhs	Dirbursements Rs. lakhs	Surplus or deficit Rs. lakhs
1105	93·67	83·33	10·34
1106	70·17	80·83	— 10·66
1107	89·37	82·97	6·40
1108	105·57	82·29	23·28
1109	75·33	90·43	— 15·10
1110	97·41	96·83	·58
1111	99·48	100·44	— ·96
1112	101·02	102·17	— 1·15
1113	105·37	105·16	·21
1114	110·23	108·41	1·82

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STATEMENT No. 2

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RECEIPTS

Heads of Receipts	1105 lakhs Rs.	1106 lakhs Rs.	1107 lakhs Rs.	1108 lakhs Rs.	1109 lakhs Rs.	1110 lakhs Rs.	1111 lakhs Rs.	1112 lakhs Rs	1113 lakhs Rs.	1114 lakhs Rs.
Land Revenue	12·50	12·25	12·23	12·21	10·16	11·43	10·60	12·24	12·28	12·32
Excise*	24·28	20·43	19·28	19·58	19·98	17·68	21·99	22·61	21·48	20·94
Customs	15·89	..	17·49	32·88	2·78	19·09	20·10	19·00	13·47	25·28
Stamps	6·19	5·95	6·61	6·65	6·44	6·14	5·82	5·96	5·50	5·47
Forests	6·21	3·07	3·43	2·97	3·29	3·51	3·74	4·12	3·62	4·12
Profits from Capital outlay	14·07	13·41	14·36	16·65	15·66	17·39	18·35	17·36	26·78	17·72
Income-tax	..	..	..	..	..	2·71	3·29	3·72	6·83	7·82
Other receipts	14·53	15·06	15·97	14·63	17·02	19·46	15·59	16·01	15·41	16·56
Total	93·67	70·17	89·37	105·57	75·33	97·41	99·48	101·02	105·37	110·23

*Excise includes 'Salt', 'Abkari' and 'Ganja', 'Opium' 'Tobacco' and 'Matches'.

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DISBURSEMENTS

Heads of Expenditure	1105 lakhs Rs.	1106 lakhs Rs.	1107 lakhs Rs.	1108 lakhs Rs.	1109 lakhs Rs.	1110 lakhs Rs.	1111 lakhs Rs.	1112 lakhs Rs.	1113 lakhs Rs.	1114 lakhs Rs.
Land Revenue	2·49	2·89	2·97	2·87	2·93	3·02	3·12	3·11	2·96	2·99
Agriculture	3·43	4·09	4·08	3·48	1·46	1·58	1·63	1·62	1·65	1·53
Panchayats	..	..	..	..	2·04	2·11	2·18	2·14	1·95	1·82
Palace	5·00	5·00	5·00	4·58	4·58	6·00	6·95	6·95	7·50	7·50
Subsidy	2·00	2·00	2·00	2·00	2·00	2·00	2·00	2·00	2·00	2·00
Excise including customs, etc.	2·73	·21	1·18	1·25	1·20	1·17	1·23	2·01	1·99	1·94
Forest	3·15	3·59	2·22	1·64	2·24	2·55	2·58	2·52	2·53	2·40
Tramway	1·25	1·30	1·25	·79	·98	1·76	1·60	·81	·80	·78
General Administration	1·17	1·57	·41	1·28	1·81	1·86	2·53	2·08	1·89	2·05
Law and Justice	2·56	2·86	·02	2·63	2·80	2·92	3·07	3·01	2·94	2·84
Police	1·90	2·20	2·15	2·00	2·16	2·26	2·35	2·27	2·22	2·23
Education	13·28	14·03	15·45	15·35	16·21	16·94	18·33	18·28	18·30	18·67
Religious and Charities	·94	·82	·92	·90	·81	·79	·89	·94	·82	·92
Medical	3·99	4·63	4·89	5·17	4·46	4·56	4·67	4·77	4·78	5·43
Public Health	..	..	..	..	1·18	1·72	1·71	1·46	1·41	1·53
Pension and Gratuity	2·16	2·58	3·08	3·41	3·22	3·83	3·78	3·86	4·23	4·29
Public Works	19·00	15 86	14·04	15·07	13·57	12·75	13·02	14·33	12·84	12·19
Railway	7·85	8·65	9·05	9·25	9·53	11·08	12·43	11·66	12·03	12·01
Military	1·00	1·19	1·13	1·21	1·27	1·22	1·29	1·16	1·10	1·12
Scientific, etc. Departments	1·59	1·47	1·40	1·31	1·52	1·91	— ·16	1·30	·44	·57
Other items of expenditure	7·84	5·89	7·73	8·10	14·46	14·80	15·24	15·89	20·78	23·60
Total of service heads	83·33	80·83	82·97	82·29	90·43	96·83	100·44	102·17	105·16	108·41

Also for purposes of facility of comparison with the corresponding figures of last year the changes effected in classification of certain items of receipts and expenditure for reasons of administrative convenience are tabulated in the form of an appendix to this Memorandum.

ACCOUNTS OF 1114

The total revenue and expenditure in the closed accounts of the year 1114 as compared with the budget and revised estimates of that year stood as follows.—

(In lakhs of rupees)

Particulars	Budget estimate 1114	Revised estimate 1114	Actuals 1114
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total Revenue ..	104·87	108·46	110·23
Total Expenditure ..	101·56	103·55	108·41
Surplus+or deficit— ..	+3·31	+4·91	+1·82

At the time of the preparation of the budget, the revenue transactions of the year 1114 were expected to result in a surplus of Rs. 3·31 lakhs, the revenue and expenditure anticipated having been Rs. 104·87 lakhs and Rs. 101·56 lakhs respectively. According to the revised estimates, it was anticipated that there would be an increase in revenue of Rs. 3·59 lakhs and the expenditure was expected to record a rise of Rs. 1·99 lakhs thus resulting in a surplus of Rs. 4·91 lakhs. The actual transactions of the year, however, resulted in a surplus of Rs. 1·82 lakhs only, a sum of Rs. 6·50 lakhs having been transferred to the Revenue Reserve Fund.

RECEIPTS

The important variations in the actuals, as compared with the budget estimates are detailed in the sub-joined table.—

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(Receipts in lakhs of rupees)

Heads	Budget estimate 1114 Rs.	Actuals 1114 Rs.	Increase Rs.	Decrease Rs.	Reasons
Land Revenue ..	12·18	12·32	·14	..	Increase under Capital, Interest, water cess, minor fisheries, etc.
Salt ..	4·90	5·35	·45	..	Mainly due to increased quantity sold
Stamps ..	5·75	5·47	..	·28	Mainly due to decrease of sale under court-fee stamps
Customs ..	23·50	25·28	1·78	..	Actual amount realised under the Harbour Agreemen
Matches ..	2·10	1·19	..	·91	Mainly due to decrease in the number of factories now working in the State and the consequent decrease in the sale of Banderols
Forest and Tramway ..	4·80	5·02	·22	..	Due to larger quantity of timber, etc., sold
Interest	1·52	2·51	·99	..	Due to larger Investments made in Government Securities
Education ..	3·78	4·00	·22	..	Increase mainly under Secondary Education fees and examination charges
Public Health ..	·34	·60	·26	..	Mainly due to receipts from Cyanogassing operations

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Heads	Budget estimate 1114 Rs.	Actuals 1114 Rs.	Increase Rs.	Decrease Rs.	Reasons
Stationery and printing ..	1·02	·80	..	·22	Mainly under cost of printed forms due to greater economy, etc.
Public Works ..	3·35	3·85	·50	..	Due to larger toll and Ferry receipts and contribution in aid of Public Works realised
Railway ..	16·60	16·87	·27	..	Due to increased traffic
Income-tax ..	6·25	7·82	1·57	..	Increased returns
Miscellaneous ..	·15	·36	·21	..	Mainly due to unclaimed deposits lapsed to the Sirkar

DISBURSEMENTS

The total expenditure as provided in the budget was Rs. 101·56 lakhs; the actuals, however, show that the aggregate expenditure came to Rs. 108·41 lakhs which, compared with the budget showed an increase of Rs. 6·85 lakhs. The noticeable increases and decreases occurred under the following heads.—

(In lakhs of rupees)

Heads	Budget estimate 1114 Rs.	Actuals 1114 Rs.	Increase Rs.	Decrease Rs	Explanation
Land Revenue ..	3·10	2·99	..	·11	Mainly due to savings under Establishment charges, etc.

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Heads	Budget estimate 1114 Rs.	Actuals 1114 Rs.	Increase Rs.	Decrease Rs.	Explanation
Panchayats ..	1·97	1·82	..	·15	Due to savings under 'works'
Palace ..	6·95	7·50	·55	..	Due to contribution to Reserve Fund
Excise ..	1·21	1·16	..	·05	Savings mainly under Field Establishment and cost of printed forms
Matches ..	1·25	·97	..	·28	Due to less contribution, etc., on account of the fall in the sale of banderols
Forests and Tramway ..	3·45	3·18	..	·27	Savings are mainly under 'Transport' charges of timber
General Administration ..	2·14	2·05	..	·09	Savings mainly under Salary of Minister for Rural Development and Huzur Establishment charges
Law and Justice ..	2·96	2·84	..	·12	Savings under leave allowances, etc.
Police ..	2·36	2·23	..	·13	Savings mainly under Establishment charges of the Executive Force
Education ..	19·35	18·67	..	·68	Savings mainly under different Establishments
Religious ..	·30	·40	·10	..	Increase under payment on account of Vazhivadus

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Heads	Budget estimate 1114 Rs.	Actuals 1114 Rs.	Increase Rs.	Decrease Rs.	Explanation
Medical ..	5·50	5·43	..	·07	Savings mainly under Establishment charges
Pension and Gratuity ..	3·83	4·29	·46	..	Actuals
Stationery and Printing ..	1·68	1·59	..	·09	Savings under cost of Stationery articles and Cost of Printing paper, etc.
Public Works ..	11·39	12·19	·80	..	Due to additional works under Buildings and Repairs, opening of the approach road to Harbour bridge, etc
Scientific, etc., Departments ..	·20	·57	·37	..	Increase due to adjustment of loss under Stone Ware Factory
Railway ..	12·23	12·01	..	·22	Due to reduction in maintenance charges
State Conveyances..	·70	·82	·12	..	Increased expenditure met under Motor cars and Motor Boats—Miscellaneous charges
Income-tax ..	·74	·98	·24	..	Excess due to larger Refunds
Miscellaneous ..	1·16	8·01	6·85	..	Mainly under Political expenditure, and due to transfer of Rs. 6·50 lakhs to Revenue Reserve Fund

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REVISED ESTIMATE OF 1115

The following statement shows the Revenue and Expenditure for the current year according to the revised calculation now made on the basis of the actuals and other information so far known.

(In lakhs of rupees)

	Budget estimate 1115	Revised estimate 1115	Increase Rs.	Decrease Rs.
Total Revenue ..	107·95	111·87	3·92	..
Expenditure charged to revenue ..	102·89	104·00	1·11	..
Surplus+or Deficit—..	+5·06	+7·87	..	..

REVENUE

The revised estimate for the current year shows an increase of Rs. 3·92 lakhs as compared with the budget estimate.

A statement showing the variations between the budget and revised estimates under the several heads is sub-joined.

(In lakhs of rupees)

	Budget estimate 1115	Revised estimate 1115	Increase Rs.	Decrease Rs.
Land Revenue ..	12·25	12·35	·10	..
Salt ..	5·11	5·24	·13	..
Stamps ..	5·73	4·51	..	1·22
Customs ..	24·25	25·24	·99	..
Abkari and Ganja ..	9·52	9·75	·23	..
Matches ..	2·06	1·84	..	·22
Tobacco ..	3·33	3·52	·19	..
Forest & Tramway ..	4·79	5·03	·24	..
Interest ..	2·38	3·24	·86	..
Public works ..	3·30	3·63	·33	..
Railway ..	16·60	17·53	·93	..
Income-tax ..	6·50	7·50	1·00	..

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LAND REVENUE

Land Revenue.—The revised estimate is anticipated to exceed the budget estimate of Rs. 12·25 lakhs by Rs. ·10 lakh due to slight increases under the various detailed heads more especially under 'capital.'

Salt.—An increase of Rs. ·13 lakh as compared with the budget estimate of Rs. 5·11 lakhs is expected on the basis of the realisations of the past months of the year.

Stamps.—The fall in receipt, viz., Rs. 1·22 lakhs as compared with the Budget estimate of Rs. 5·73 lakhs is due to the reduced sale of Court-fee and General Stamp papers probably on account of the operation of the Agricultural Relief Act.

Customs.—The actual Customs revenue realised for 1938—1939 showed an increase of Rs. ·99 lakh over the budgetted amount of Rs. 24·25 lakhs.

Abkari and Ganja.—An improvement of Rs. ·23 lakh as compared with the budget estimate of Rs. 9·52 lakhs is anticipated mainly due to increased receipts on account of the duty on Indian made foreign liquor and slight variations under other heads.

Matches.—Compared with the budget estimate of Rs. 2·06 lakhs there is a fall of Rs. ·22 lakh. The reduction in receipts is chiefly under 'Sale proceeds of banderols' on account of the fall in the number of factories.

Tobacco.—An increased receipt of Rs. ·19 lakh is anticipated over the budget estimate of Rs. 3·33 lakhs on account of higher rentals fetched.

Forests and Tramway.—An increase of Rs. ·24 lakh as compared with the budget estimate of Rs. 4·79 lakhs is anticipated as a result of larger quantity of timber expected to be sold.

Interest.—Larger investments than anticipated and the premium received in connection with the purchase of Government Securities have raised the receipt of Rs. 2·38 lakhs anticipated in the budget by Rs. ·86 lakh.

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Public Works.—An increase of Rs. ·33 lakh over the budget estimate of Rs. 3·30 lakhs is anticipated mainly due to the increased receipt brought in by "Ferry receipts", "Sale of buildings" and "canal" navigation receipts.

Railway.—The revised estimate shows an improvement of Rs. ·93 lakh over the budget estimate of Rs. 16·60 lakhs due to increased earnings of the Railway.

Income-tax.—An increase of Rs. 1 lakh over the budget estimate of Rs. 6·50 lakhs is anticipated.

EXPENDITURE

The revised estimates for the current year show an increase of Rs. 1·11 lakhs over the budget estimate of Rs. 102·89 lakhs. The sub-joined statement shows the large variations in the revised estimates under the several heads as compared with the budget estimates.

(In lakhs of rupees)

Heads	Budget estimate 1115	Revised estimate 1115	Increase	Decrease
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Matches ..	1·05	·86	..	·19
Forests and Tramway.	3·35	3·22	..	·13
Education ..	19·36	19·15	..	·21
Pension and Gratuity	4·34	4·48	·14	..
Stationery and Printing	1·49	1·61	·12	..
Public Works ..	10·90	10·42	..	·48
Interest	5·37	5·81	·44	..
Railway	12·23	12·91	·68	..
Miscellaneous ..	1·42	2·25	·83	..

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Matches.—The decrease of Rs. ·19 lakh as compared with the budget estimate of Rs. 1·05 lakhs is chiefly due to the smaller contribution payable to Government of India on account of the decrease in the receipts from sale of banderols.

Forests and Tramway.—As against the budget estimate of Rs. 3·35 lakhs a decrease of ·13 lakh is estimated due to fall in collection and transport charges, etc., of timber.

Education.—The revised estimate shows a decrease of Rs. ·21 lakh from the budget estimate of Rs. 19·36 lakhs, chiefly due to savings under leave allowance, establishment, etc.

Pension and Gratuity.—The budget estimate of Rs. 4·34 lakhs has been found to be inadequate to meet the actual claims under service pensions and compassionate gratuity to the heirs of the Government servants dying in harness and an excess of Rs. 0·14 lakh is provided therefore in the revised estimate.

Stationery and Printing.—An increased provision of Rs. 0·12 lakh has been made over the budget estimate of Rs. 1·49 lakhs mainly on account of a special provision made for the purchase of a reserve stock of paper consequent on the war situation.

Public Works.—The revised estimate anticipates a saving of Rs. ·48 lakh from the budget estimate of Rs. 10·90 lakhs mainly because the Reservoir work in the Chittur Irrigation system could not be taken up in the current year.

Interest.—Provision of Rs. ·20 lakh made for building the Securities Depreciation Fund and a sum of Rs. ·23 lakh provided for payment of the arrear claims of interest under 5% and 3½% Loans are mainly responsible for the increase of Rs. ·44 lakh over the budget estimate of Rs. 5·37 lakhs.

Railway.—On account of increased maintenance charges an increase in expenditure of Rs. ·68 lakh over the budget estimate of Rs. 12·23 lakhs is anticipated under "Railway".

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Miscellaneous.—The revised estimate includes the provision of Rs. 1·00 lakh being the contribution made by the Government to the War and a sum of Rs. 5,500 provided for "Emergency charges" connected with the War. Against these new items of expenditure, there have been savings under "Entertainment of State visitors" and "Other charges". The revised estimate shows a net increase of Rs. 0·83 lakh over the budget estimate of Rs. 1·42 lakhs.

BUDGET ESTIMATE OF 1116

A surplus of Rs. 5·53 lakhs is anticipated during the next year as against a surplus of Rs. 5·06 lakhs anticipated in the budget estimate and Rs. 7·87 lakhs expected according to the revised estimates of the current year as detailed below.—

(Rupees in lakhs)

	Budget estimate 1115 (1)	Revised estimate 1115 (2)	Budget estimate 1116 (3)	Difference between columns 2 and 3
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total Revenue ..	107·95	111·87	114·50	2·63
Total Expenditure ..	102·89	104·00	108·97	4·97
Surplus or deficit ..	5·06	7·87	5·53	..

REVENUE

As compared with the revised estimate, the total revenue shows an increase of Rs. 2·63 lakhs. The estimates for the next year generally follow the revised estimate for the current year.

A comparative statement of the more important variations in the estimated revenue of next year with reference to the budget and the revised estimates of the current year is given below.—

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(Rupees in lakhs)

	Budget estimate 1115	Revised estimate 1115	Budget estimate 1116	Difference between 3 and 4	
				Increase	Decrease
1	2	3	4	5	6
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Stamps ..	5·73	4·51	4·83	0·32	..
Customs ..	24·25	25·24	26·50	1·26	..
Matches ..	2·06	1·84	1·25	..	0·59
Forests and Tramway ..	4·79	5·03	4·88	..	0·15
Interest ..	2·38	3·24	2·87	..	0·37
Public Health ..	·34	·50	·38	..	·12
Stationery and Printing ..	·99	·98	1·34	·36	..
Public Works ..	3·30	3·63	3·46	..	0·17
Railway ..	16·60	17·53	18·00	0·47	..
Income-tax ..	6·50	7·50	7·00	..	0·50
Miscellaneous ..	1·3	1·30	3·55	2·25	..

Stamps.—A sum of Rs. ·32 lakh in excess of the revised estimate of (Rs. 4·51 lakhs) is anticipated in the hope that the special features which contributed to the fall in receipts in the current year would at least partially cease.

Customs.—Based on the actual realisations of 1939—40 an increase of Rs. 1·26 lakhs over the revised estimate of Rs. 25·24 lakhs in the current year is anticipated for 1116.

Matches.—The budget estimate anticipates a fall of Rs. ·59 lakh as compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 1·84 lakhs for the current year due partly to the reduction in the sale of banderols and partly due to the fact that contribution from the Government of India for one year and 9 months is estimated in the revised estimate as against one year's contribution only in 1116.

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Forests and Tramway.—Compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 5·03 lakhs, the budget estimate anticipates a fall of Rs. ·15 lakh mainly due to the decline expected in the sale of timber.

Interest.—A sum of Rs. ·37 lakh less than the revised estimate of Rs. 3·24 lakhs is anticipated next year in the absence of the special circumstances which led to the increase in the current year already explained.

Public Health.—The budget estimate anticipates a decrease of Rs. ·12 lakh from the revised estimate of Rs. ·50 lakh mainly on account of the discontinuance of the Cyanogassing operations.

Stationery and Printing.—The increase of Rs ·36 lakh expected over the revised estimate of Rs. ·98 lakh is mainly the result of the revised basis of valuation of the cost of printed forms and code forms supplied to the various departments.

Public Works.—The receipt for 1116 as anticipated (Rs. 3·46 lakhs) falls short of the revised estimate for the current year by Rs. ·17 lakh mainly due to the decreased receipts under "Ferry receipts", "Sale of buildings", etc.

Railway.—A sum of Rs. ·47 lakh in excess of the current year's revised estimate of Rs. 17·53 lakhs is expected in view of the opening of the Edappilli Harbour Link shortly.

Miscellaneous.—Under "Appropriation from Revenue Reserve Fund", there is an increase of Rs. 2·25 lakhs over that of last year. This is due to the sum of Rs. 2·25 lakhs transferred from the Revenue Reserve Fund over and above the one lakh of rupees which both in 1115 and 1116 is taken over towards the Rural Reconstruction Works.

EXPENDITURE

The special contribution of Rs. 1 lakh for Rural Development out of the Revenue Reserve Fund has been distributed as follows.—

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1.	Panchayats—		
	Model Panchayats	.. Rs.	12,500
	Original works such as tanks, wells, tube wells, roads, etc.	.. ,,	45,000
	Libraries (Village)	.. ,,	5,000
	Total	..	**Rs. 62,500**
2.	Public Health	.. Rs.	4,000
3.	Co-operative	.. ,,	4,000
4.	Agriculture	.. ,,	4,000
5.	Industries	.. ,,	7,000
6.	Uplift	.. ,,	2,000
7.	Rural Development	.. ,,	7,000
8.	Ayurveda	.. ,,	7,500
	Total	..	**Rs. 35,500**
	Reserve	..	**Rs. 2,000**
	Grand Total	..	**Rs. 1,00,000**

The special contribution of Rs. 2·25 lakhs for the building programme of the "Medical" and "Education Departments" has been added on to the Public Works Grant.

The programme of expenditure for next year provides for a total outlay of Rs. 108·97 lakhs as against Rs. 104·00 lakhs in the revised estimate.

A comparative statement of estimated expenditure for the next year (1116) with reference to the budget and revised estimates for the current year is given below.

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[Rupees in lakhs]

Heads	Budget estimate 1115 Rs.	Revised estimate 1115 Rs.	Budget estimate 1116 Rs.	Difference between 3 and 4	
				Increase Rs.	Decrease Rs.
1	2	3	4	5	6
1. Land Revenue ..	3·15	3·08	3·23	·15	..
2. Agriculture ..	1·59	1·58	1·59	·01	..
3. Panchayats ..	2·65	2·65	2·65	..	..
4. Co-operative ..	·28	·28	·28	..	..
5. Palace ..	7·50	7·50	7·50	..	..
6. Subsidy ..	2·00	2·00	2·00	..	..
7. Excise ..	1·22	1·22	1·35	·13	..
8. Matches ..	1·05	·86	·43	..	·43
9. Stamps ..	·31	·29	·30	·01	..
10. Customs ..	·78	·75	·75	..	..
11. Forests and Tramway ..	3·35	3·23	3·40	·17	..
12. Registration ..	·91	·90	·96	·06	..
13. Anchal ..	·77	·75	·78	·03	..
14. General Administration ..	2·20	2·23	2·64	·41	..
15. Finance and Accounts ..	·66	·69	·73	·04	..
16. Law and Justice ..	2·88	2·84	2·97	·13	..
17. Jails ..	·33	·38	·37	..	·01
18. Police ..	2·42	2·37	2·36	..	·01
19. Education ..	19·36	19·15	19·56	·41	..
20. Religious ..	·40	·40	·40	..	..
21. Charities ..	·47	·51	·50	..	·01

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[Rupees in lakhs]

Heads	Budget estimate 1115 Rs.	Revised estimate 1115 Rs.	Budget estimate 1116 Rs.	Difference between 3 and 4	
				Increase Rs.	Decrease Rs.
1	2	3	4	5	6
22. Medical ..	5·26	5·23	6·26	1·03	..
23. Ayurveda ..	·45	·45	·44	..	·01
24. Public Health ..	1·50	1·57	1·52	..	·05
25. Pension and Gratuity ..	4 34	4·48	4·56	·08	..
26. Stationery and Printing ..	1·49	1·61	1·58	..	·03
27. Military ..	1·20	1·18	1·23	·05	..
28. Public Works ..	10·90	10·42	12·83	2·41	..
29. Interest ..	5·37	5·81	5·70	..	·11
30. Scientific, etc., Department ..	·19	·21	·17	..	·04
31. Industries-Reserved ..	·47	·48	·42	..	·06
32. Industries-Transferred ..	·69	·69	·66	..	·03
33. Rural Development ..	·18	·17	·20	·03	..
34. Railway ..	12·23	12·91	13·40	·49	..
35. Uplift of the Depressed Classes ..	·71	·68	·70	·02	..
36. State Conveyances ..	·55	·57	·67	·10	..
37. Income-tax ..	·93	·93	·94	·01	..
38. Miscellaneous ..	1·42	2·25	2·18	..	·07
39. Sinking Fund ..	·75	·75	·75	..	..

Important points or variations requiring explanation are detailed below.—

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Land Revenue.—A sum of Rs. ·15 lakh is provided in excess of the revised estimate of Rs. 3·08 lakhs. The post of a Personal Assistant to the Diwan Peishkar in the grade of Rs. 150-250 has been created. Larger provision is made for "Fisheries" to provide for the work of bunding the area of fishing stakes in Mulavukad Village, which could not be taken up in the current year. A provision of Rs. 2,500 is also made for repairs to the Fishery motor boat.

Agriculture.—The Veterinary Department underwent a reorganisation in the course of the year for the extension of the Veterinary service to rural parts. Provision has been made for expenditure as per the reorganised scheme in 1116.

Co-operative.—It is proposed to continue the temporary establishment of the Liquidation Inspector for 1116 also.

Excise.—The Budget estimate is fixed at Rs. ·13 lakh above the revised estimate of Rs. 1·22 lakhs. Four clerks of the Matches establishment are proposed to be transferred to the Excise Department. Provision has been made for the Head quarter Sub-Inspector on Rs. 40-60 grade. The post of the temporary Sub-Inspector of the Oorakam Range has been made permanent during the current year. Provision is also made for training a Sub-Inspector for "Distillery work." Again, the Preventive staff is to be increased by 8 peons for the outposts at the two new Railway Stations at Ernakulam (North and South) and at the Willingdon Island. Provision is also made under "Miscellaneous" for the acquisition charges and construction of the outposts at the new Railway Stations at Ernakulam (Rs. 3,500).

Matches.—The Budget estimate is fixed at Rs. ·43 lakh only against Rs. ·86 in the Revised estimate. Consequent on the closing of many of the Match factories in the State the supervising staff was retrenched. Corresponding to the decreased receipts the contribution payable to the Government of India is also proportionately less, being only Rs. 40,000 against Rs. 80,251 in the revised estimate. 4 posts of the clerical staff of the Matches Establishment are proposed to be transferred to '7. Excise'.

Forests and Tramway.—The excess expenditure of Rs. ·17 lakh over the revised estimate of Rs. 3·23 lakhs is on account of

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increased provision made under collection and transport charges of timber.

Registration.—The slight increase of Rs. ·06 lakh noticed is due partly to the proposed revival of the 5 Registrars' posts which were, as a measure of retrenchment, kept in abeyance for the last 3 years and partly to the accrual of increments of the existing staff.

General Administration.—The Budget estimate shows an increase of Rs. ·41 lakh over the revised estimate. (Rs. 2·23 lakhs)

The establishment attached to the Legislative Council was transferred to and merged in the Secretariat Establishment in the current year.

A new head 'Town Councils' has been opened to show the expenditure on pay, T. A., etc., of the Special Officer and his staff newly appointed. The Special Officer has been appointed for a period of 6 months to prepare the electoral rolls and take all necessary steps to constitute and commence functioning of the Town Councils with effect from 1st Vrischigam 1116 in accordance with the Town Council Act.

A sum of Rs. 2,000 has been provided under "Huzur-miscellaneous" for the expenditure connected with the general elections to the Legislative Council.

The new head 'Committees' shows the expenditure connected with Ad Hoc Committees that may be constituted by Government from time to time.

Increased provision is made under 'Census operation', since the major portion of the work connected with the Census is to come next year. Temporary staff of supervisors, tabulators, sorters, etc. is to be entertained in the course of next year.

A provision of Rs. 600 is also made in the Secretariat budget for the revision of Standing Orders.

Finance and Accounts.—A sum of over Rs. 6 lakhs is being spent every year on grants allowed to aided schools in the State. Practically no detailed audit of the expenditure is now conducted.

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It has therefore been decided to subject this expenditure to a more detailed and effective check by reference to the initial records in the Departmental offices. For this purpose an extra local audit Division of a Superintendent and 3 auditors is proposed to be entertained for one year as a temporary measure.

The increased provision of Rs ·04 lakh over the revised estimate of Rs. ·69 lakh is accounted for chiefly by the cost of the above staff and also due to the accrual of periodical increments of the staff.

Law and Justice.—An excess provision of Rs. ·13 lakh over the revised estimate of Rs. 2·84 lakhs has been made in the budget estimate of 1116. An additional temporary District Court is to be formed and the pay for an additional judge (at Rs. 400) and 2 clerks has been provided.

Education.—The Budget estimate is fixed at Rs. 19·56 lakhs *i.e.*, Re. ·41 lakh higher than the revised estimate. The special features are.—

(*i*) Two additional clerks have been sanctioned for the Inspectors' offices.

(*ii*) A special provision of Rs. 2,000 has been made for printing the Maharaja's College library catalogue.

(*iii*) A lump sum of Rs. 3,000 has been provided for additional divisions and classes.

(*iv*) A special grant of Rs. 3,200 is provided for certain schools.

Medical.—The budget estimate shows an increase of Rs. 1·03 lakhs over the revised estimate of Rs. 5·23 lakhs. Some of the special features and main reasons for the increase are the following.—

(*i*) The pay of the Head clerk and one clerk was revised to Rs. 60—100 and Rs. 40—60 from 60—80 and 25—40, respectively.

(*ii*) 10 pupil nurses are being drafted to the regular line from 1st Chingam 1116.

(*iii*) 18 health visitors and 4 servants of the Public Health Department were, on retrenchment from that department. taken as midwives and Hospital servants.

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(*iv*) 30 additional servants on Rs. 10—½—16 are to be entertained from 1st Chingam 1116 to cope with the increased work consequent on the opening of additional wards in the several hospitals.

(*v*) Increased provision of

Rs. 5,000 under 'diet,'
Rs. 2,000 under 'bedding and clothing,'
Rs. 3,500 under 'furniture,'

and Rs. 1,300 under 'miscellaneous' are made mainly for the equipment and administration of additional wards and extensions made in several hospitals.

(*vi*) Under "medicines" a sum of Rs. 69,000 is provided in excess on account of the increased price due to war conditions and the larger requirements on account of the additional accommodation made available in the various hospitals. Over and above this, a sum of Rs. 25,000 is also made under 'Advances' to reserve an adequate stock of medicines which will be adjusted in 1117.

(*vii*) A lump sum provision of Rs. 4,000 is made for the tuberculosis clinic in the Civil Hospital, Trichur.

(*viii*) A sum of Rs. 1,988 is provided for meeting the proportionate charges on account of the maintenance of the college gas plant.

Ayurveda.—In the current year the department was transferred from the control of the Director of Public Health and Panchayats to that of the 'Superintendent of the Ayurvedic Hospitals'. The Panchayat vaidyasalas were also placed under him.

A provision of Rs. 480 has been made for opening new grant-in-aid vaidyasalas at Cranganur and Nalleppilli. Pending reorganisation of the new department the pay of two clerks in the R. V. C. A. Hospital is proposed to be revised to Rs. 40 and Rs. 30.

The special contribution of Rs. 7,500 from Rural development is proposed to be spent on the construction of an in-patient ward and other extensions to the R. V. C A. Hospital.

Public Health.—The health centres started recently in the several parts of the State were found to be inadequate to serve the needs of the rural parts. All these centres with the exception of

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those at Trippunittura and Irinjalakkuda were abolished in the current year and 38 Midwives were appointed instead in the several villages. It is proposed to abolish the other two centres also in the course of next year and take in more Midwives.

Pension and gratuity.—The budget estimate *viz.* Rs. 4·56 lakhs exceeds the revised estimate by Rs. ·08 lakh. The increased provision has been found necessary to meet the yearly increasing service pension claims.

Stationery and Printing.—The Press was reorganised and the accounts of the Press were placed on a commercial basis; the several items of work done in the Press are also valued now on commercial lines. Under the new system each of the several Government departments is to pay not only for the printed forms and registers supplied to it as hitherto but also for all other work including printing of notifications, rules, etc. Provision has been made in each departmental budget for such charges on the basis of the actuals of 1114. The post of the Superintendent, Government Press, was removed from the sanctioned pensionable establishment. He is now in service under a special contract. His pay is Rs. 225. Government also contribute towards his Provident Fund.

Another new feature is the provision of Rs. 438 for overtime allowance payable to the office establishment for extra work.

Military.—The coaching department (Sirkar stables) hitherto shown under "State conveyances" was amalgamated with the Military department and placed under the Commandant, Nair Brigade. The slight increase of Rs. ·05 lakh noticed in the budget estimate over the revised estimate of Rs. 1·18 lakhs is due to this amalgamation.

Public Works.—The increased provision of Rs. 2·41 lakhs over the revised estimate of Rs. 10·42 lakhs is mainly due to the special contribution of Rs. 2·25 lakhs appropriated from the Revenue Reserve Fund for the building programme of the Medical and Education departments. A sum of Rs. 1·5 lakhs is earmarked for the buildings programme of the Education department and Rs. ·75 lakh for the Medical department. The Reservoir work of the Chittur Irrigation system for which a provision of Rs. ·50 lakh was made in the current year could not be taken up and the provision is therefore repeated for the next year.

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Industries—Reserved and Transferred.—The budget estimate falls short of the revised estimate of Rs. 1·17 lakhs by Rs. ·09 lakh. A care-taker on Rs. 20 is proposed to be appointed for looking after the machinery and other articles of the Tanneries which have come into the possession of Government. A provision of Rs. 3,072 is made for the establishment and other charges of Coir Depot, Mattancheri, which was started in the current year.

Interest.—As compared with the revised estimate of Rs. 5·81 lakhs, the budget estimate anticipates a saving of Rs. ·11 lakh. The increased amount under the revised estimate is due to payment of arrears of interest on the State Loans. A provision of Rs. 20,000 is made under "Interest-Miscellaneous" towards building up a Securities Depreciation Fund.

Rural Development.—The budget estimate of Rs. ·20 lakh does not vary much from the revised estimate. The provision includes a sum of Rs. 1,900 for the construction of a shed for G. I. School, Cherpu.

Railway.—An increased provision of Rs. ·49 lakh over the revised estimate of Rs. 12·91 lakhs has been made to cover the maintenance charges of the new section of the line—Edappilli Harbour Link etc.

State Conveyances.—The Coaching department—Sirkar Stables—was amalgamated with the Military department.

The budget estimate of Rs. ·67 lakh which exceeds the revised estimate by Rs. ·10 lakh, includes provision of Rs. 20,000 for the purchase of new cars and lorries.

Income-tax.—Provision is made for the entertainment of a temporary establishment of one clerk on Rs. 25—40 and an attender on Rs. 20, to cope with the increased work of the department.

Miscellaneous.—The budget estimate of Rs. 2·18 lakhs is less than the revised estimate of the current year by about Rs. ·07 lakh. Provision is made for the contribution of Rs. 1 lakh towards the War and a sum of Rs. 10,000 for defence measures. As usual it is proposed to give a contribution of Rs. 10,000 to the Cranganur Principality for the establishment charges, so as to throw on it only the minimum charge calculated on the minimum pay of the several grades of the officers posted there.

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CAPITAL OUTLAY SCHEMES

Revised Estimate of 1115

The **Stoneware factory** was leased out to the General Mercantile Corporation on an annual rental of Rs. 3,000.

The work of the **Shanmukham Canal** has been completed. So also the work of the building for the manufacture of Tinctures.

The collection of landing place receipt on account of the **Shanmukham Canal** will begin only next year.

From the receipt on account of the **Mattancheri submerged pipe** line and the **Shoranur Bridge,** the stipulated interest of 4 per cent and 3½ per cent respectively on the capital expenditure is being appropriated.

The profit from the **Nemmara Electric Scheme** is expected to be Rs. 1,484 against the budgetted amount of Rs. 1,261. It had been estimated that the working of the **Chittur Electric Scheme** would result in a loss of Rs. 1,600 while according to the revised estimate, the loss anticipated is only Rs. 341.

The electrification scheme for Irinjalakkuda for which a provision of Rs. 65,000 had been made had to be postponed due to the abnormal rise in the cost of materials.

Budget Estimate of 1116

Certain petty works costing Rs. 600 are provided for under the **Mattancheri submerged pipe** line.

A provision of Rs. 20,000 is made for works on the **Shanmukham Canal** such as protecting the sides and enlarging the basin.

As stated against the revised estimate, the receipts on account of the submerged pipe line represent the interest on the capital.

The **Nemmara and Chittur Electric Schemes** are not expected to yield any profit next year as there is abnormal increase in the maintenance expenditure due to rise in the cost of materials.

As regards the **Shanmukham Canal** interest equal to 4 per cent of the capital expenditure has been guaranteed by the Irinjalakkuda Municipality. There is also a probable expenditure of Rs. 1,200 for maintaining the canal in good condition. Taking these facts into account, a net income of Rs. 6,609 has been budgetted.

The profit from the **manufacture of tinctures** has been put down as Rs. 200 being 4 per cent of the probable capital expenditure.

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NEW ITEMS OF EXPENDITURE

The following is a list of items of expenditure which have been newly provided for in the budget estimate of 1116 and which are not in continuation of the existing schemes.

Serial No.	Particulars	Amount Rs.
	Land Revenue	
1	Appointment of a Personal Assistant to Diwan Peishkar ..	3,021
2	Personal allowance to Masapadies transferred from other departments	240
3	Duty allowance to Gollahs	120
4	Petty officer (25) and peon (12) for fish curing yard at Malipuram	407
5	Water allowance for do. ..	72
6	Experimental fish curing yard, Narakkal	400
7	Bunding the fishing stakes at Mulavukad	5,000
	Agriculture	
8	Laying out pipes in gardens, Ernakulam	4,000
9	Marketing Society	150
	Panchayats	
10	Introducing scavenging service in Nalleppilli Panchayat ..	1,050
	Co-operative	
11	Peon to Development Inspector	121
12	Allowance to the Secretary of the Kathialam Fish Marketing Society	60
	Excise	
13	Excise peons 8 (11) for out-posts at Ernakulam North and South and Willingdon Island..	1,056
14	House rent allowance for do. ..	240
15	Distillery training for one Sub-Inspector	240
16	Acquisition and construction charges of buildings at Ernakulam north and Ernakulam south Railway stations ..	3,500
	Stamp	
17	Temporary attender (20)	240

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Serial No.	Particulars	Amount Rs.
	Registration	
18	Revival of five posts of District Registrars	2,696
	Anchal	
19	Anchalmen 3 (12) and runners (6) and (10)	582
	General Administration	
20	Revision of Standing Orders	600
21	Legislative Council election (Huzur miscellaneous) ..	2,000
22	Tabulation establishment for Census operations	4,880
23	Special Officer and staff for constituting Town Councils ..	1,300
	Finance and Accounts	
24	Temporary establishment for grant-in-aid audit—Superintendent (100—150) and 3 Auditors (25—100)	2,460
	Law and Justice	
25	Temporary Additional Court, Trichur—District Judge (400), Clerk (25) Shorthand typist (25), Duty allowance (10) ..	5,520
	Education	
26	Addititional divisions in Sirkar schools	3,000
27	Special grants to aided schools	3,200
28	Special scholarship for a diploma course in Gynaecology and obstretrics	225
29	Additional posts in L3 grade	420
30	Temporary posts 2 (25—40) under "Direction and Inspection"	550
31	Printing catalogue—College	2,000
	Medical	
32	Revision of pay of office staff	96
33	Drafting of 10 pupil nurses	2,200
34	Additional servants (34)	3,852
35	Additional midwives (8)	2,816
36	Equipment of hospitals and increased provision for diet, etc. ..	11,800
37	Additional provision under 'medicines' due to war situation, etc. .	69,000
38	Tuberculosis clinic	4,000
39	Proportionate charges of the College gas plant	1,988

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Serial No.	Particulars	Amount Rs.
	Ayurveda	
40	Opening of grant-in-aid Vaidyasalas	480
	Public Health	
41	Rural Midwifery service	9,235
42	Contribution to Ernakulam Municipality for opening grazing grounds	3,989
43	Do. for land acquisition charges for Jews' Burial ground	2,000
	Stationery and Printing	
44	Overtime allowance to office staff	438
45	Contribution to Provident Fund	168
	Public Works	
46	Special grant for buildings, Education Department ..	1,50,000
47	Do. Medical Department ..	75,000
48	Reservoir, Chittur Irrigation system	50,000
	Industries Reserved	
49	Care-taker, Cochin Tanneries	240
	Industries Transferred	
50	Establishment and other charges of Coir depot, Mattancheri ..	3,072
	Rural Development	
51	Construction of a shed for G. I. School, Cherpu ..	1,900
	Income-tax	
52	Temporary clerk (25—40) and attender (20)	540
	Miscellaneous	
53	Contribution for War	1,00,000
54	Provision for defence measures	10,000

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APPENDIX

CHANGES IN CLASSIFICATION
RECEIPT SIDE

XIV. **Interest.**—A new detailed head "(8) Interest on Advances made for the purchase of Foreshore lands" has been opened for the purpose of exhibiting the receipts indicated by the detailed head.

XXVIII. **Industries and Commerce.**—Consequent on the opening of a Government Coir Depot at Mattancheri a new minor head "(6) Government Coir Depot—Mattancheri" with the detailed head "(*a*) Commission" has been opened for booking the transactions indicated by the detailed head.

XXXV. **Deposits.**—The following detailed heads were opened under deposits—P. W. Contribution works to exhibit the accounts—thereof.

(1) Palliyara Muthalpidi House Replacement Fund.
(2) Special building Fund—Education.
(3) Do. Medical.
(4) Kochuvareed Tuberculosis Clinic Fund.

A new head "Securities Depreciation Fund" has also been opened under "Deposits".

XXXVI. **Advances.**—With a view to bring the numerous items under clear categories the detailed heads have been reclassified under the following head.

(1) Advances for the purchase of stock.
(2) Advances to private parties.
(3) Harbour Advances.
(4) Advances to Companies.
(5) Loans to Municipalities.
(6) Other Advances (department war)

Under "Harbour Advances" a new detailed head "Ware house" with the following heads has been opened.

(*a*) Principal.
(*b*) Interest.

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DISBURSEMENT SIDE

2. Agriculture.—C. Veterinary.—The name of the detailed head "(*a*) Veterinary Inspectors" was changed into "(*a*) Veterinary Surgeons".

7. Excise.—Since "Salt" has been separated from Customs a new detailed head (Z) Salt with the heads "Establishment", "T. A." and "contingency" has been opened under this head.

14. General Administration.—Under "6. Census Operations" the following detailed heads have been opened.—

Establishment.—

(*a*) Census Commissioner.
(*b*) Establishment.

Allowances.—

(c) T. A.

Contingencies.—

(*d*) Purchase and repair of furniture.
(*e*) Tour charges.
(*f*) Post and Telegraph charges.
(*g*) Service Labels.
(*h*) Office Expenses.
(*i*) Miscellaneous.
(*j*) Purchase of books.
(*k*) Printing charges.

Again to exhibit the expenditure for the "Ad hoc Committees" a new minor head "7. Committees" with the necessary sub-heads has been opened.

Another new minor head "Town Councils" has also been opened to represent the expenditure for the Special Officer appointed to organise the Councils.

19. Education.—A new detailed head "Proportionate charge for maintenance of College gas plant" has been opened under "2. College Education".

22. Medical.—A new detailed head "Proportionate charge for maintenance of College Gas Plant" has been opened.

24. Public Health—3. Rural Sanitation.—With the organisation of a Rural midwifery service a new detailed head "Rural

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Midwifery Service" with the following heads has been opened thereunder to represent the expenditure thereof.

(*a*) Allowance to midwives.
(*b*) Cost of medicines.

26. Stationery and Printing (2) Printing.—A new detailed head "Contribution towards Provident Fund of the Superintendent" has been opened to exhibit the expenditure on this account. Again another new head "overtime allowance" has also been opened.

29. Interest.—A new detailed head "9. Miscellaneous" has been opened.

31. Industries Reserved.— A. Direction and Inspection.— Since the Cochin Tanneries have been reduced to possession a new detailed head "The Cochin Tanneries, Chalakkudi" with the following heads has been opened.

(1) Establishment.
(2) Travelling Allowance.
(3) Other Charges.

32. Industries Transferred. C. Other charges.—As on the side of receipt a new detailed head "Coir Depot, Mattancheri" with the heads "Establishment", "Travelling allowance" and "Other charges" has been opened.

38. Miscellaneous.—2. Political Expenditure.—

A new detailed head "Emergency charges" has been opened under "2. Political Expenditure" with the following heads.—

(1) Defence measures.
(2) Food control measures.

(*a*) Establishment.
(*b*) Travelling allowance.
(*c*) Contingencies.

43. Deposits.—The following heads have been opened under "P. W. Contribution Works"

(1) Palliyara Muthalpidi House replacement Fund.
(2) Special building Fund—Education.
(3) Do. Medical.
(4) Kochuvareed Tuberculosis Clinic Fund.

A new head "Securities Depreciation Fund" has been opened under Deposits.

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44. Advances Repayable.—As stated above the detailed heads have been re-classified under the following heads.—

(1) Advances for the purchase of stock.
(2) Do. to private bodies.
(3) Harbour Advances.
(4) Advances to Companies.
(5) Loans to Municipalities.
(6) Other Advances (Department war).

Under Harbour Advances, a new detailed head "(3) Ware house" has been opened under "Advance to Harbour authorities."

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APPENDIX II

MINUTES OF THE STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, *10th July 1940* / *27th Mithunam 1115*

The Standing Finance Committee of the Legislative Council summoned for a meeting of 3 days for scrutinising the Budget proposals for 1116 M. E., met today in the Diwan's room in the Secretariat at 12-30 p.m.

Present

M. R. Ry. K. ACHYUTA MENON Avl.,
Secretary to Government *(Chairman)*
RAMA VARMHA TAMPURAN
Comptroller of Finance and Accounts
M. R. Ry. P. J. GEORGE Avl.,
Joint Secretary to Government
,, T. A. RAMACHANDRA AYYAR Avl.
,, B. M. PETER Avl.
,, V. K. BHASKARA MENON Avl.
,, C. J. MATHEW Avl., *(Secretary)*

Demands for Supplementary Grants were first taken up for consideration.

(1) Rs. 380 under "13-General Administration (1) Huzur Secretariat—Temporary Establishment."

Demand passed.

(2) Rs. 300 under "14-General Administration (8) Town Councils."

The non-official members wanted to know why a Special Officer on such a high pay was appointed.

The Joint Secretary explained that as the Special Officer has to attend to many important items of work such as the preparation of preliminary electoral rolls, the fixing of the boundaries of towns, the issue of the various rules and notifications under the Act and so on, it was considered necessary to depute an experienced hand. The present incumbent was for a long time the Manager of the Ernakulam Municipality and had therefore gained considerable experience in this line of work.

Demand passed.

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(3) Rs. 1,880 under "15-Finance and Accounts—Printing Charges."

(4) Rs. 150 under "16-Law and Justice-B (*i*) High Court—Printed Forms."

Mr. Bhaskara Menon asked why the printing charges have increased under the new system of valuation.

It was explained that formerly only actual wages were taken into account, but that under the new system overhead charges including the cost of supervision, rent of the press building, etc., are also added on to the direct charges.

Demand passed.

The following items were also considered and passed.

(5) Rs. 70 under "16 (*c*)—Criminal Justice—Cleaning Charges."

(6) Rs. 20 under "17 (2) Sub-Jails—Miscellaneous."

(7) Rs. 3,200 under "24-Public Health—A. 3. Rural Sanitation—Charges for the prevention of Epidemics."

(8) Rs. 800 under "24-Public Health—B—Vaccination—Cost of Lymph."

(9) Rs. 2,044—9—8 under "30-Scientific, etc., Department—Loss on account of the working of the Stoneware Factory."

(10) Rs. 2,200 under "31—Industries-Reserved—Direction and Inspection —Miscellaneous."

(11) Rs. 168 under "6—Excise Refunds—Cranganur."

BUDGET—1116

The scrutiny of the Budget proposals was next taken up.

STATEMENT OF LIABILITIES AND ASSETS FOR 1116

Mr. B. M. Peter wanted to know the details of the amounts advanced under "Loans and Advances Recoverable—(*i*)—To private parties and (*ii*) To Companies."

The Comptroller of Finance and Accounts explained that the amount advanced to private parties represented "Agricultural loans, Fire Accident Loans, etc." The advances made "To Companies" represented the amount of 1½ lakhs paid to the Cochin Textiles and the amount of Rs. 5,08,000 advanced to the Land Mortgage Bank and such other items.

RECEIPTS

V. STAMPS

The Comptroller of Finance and Accounts explained that the fall under stamps was due mainly to decrease of sale under court-fee stamps.

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XXIV. Stationery and Printing

Mr. Bhaskara Menon wated to know why as against the actuals of Rs. 46,636 in 1114, the Budget estimate for Printing Charges and supply of departmental forms was fixed at Rs. 73,000 for 1116.

It was explained that from 1116 onwards, it was proposed to charge the different departments of the Government for every item of works done for them in the Government Press. Till now the Departments were being charged only for printed forms supplied to them from the Press. Owing to this change in the policy, the receipts under printing charges have increased.

DISBURSEMENTS

I. LAND REVENUE

Establishment—Salaries

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon remarked that the post of a Personal Assistant to the Diwan Peishkar is a luxury and that there was no necessity for the creation of such a post now. Mr. B. M. Peter agreed with Mr. Bhaskara Menon.

The Secretary to Government said that of late the duties of the Diwan Peishkar have increased out of all proportion. Over and above the administration of his own department, he is a member of the various Advisory Committees. The Museum is under his charge at present. He has to inspect the treasuries half-yearly. He has to attend to the verifications of the stamp stock. He has to exercise supervision over the management of V. T. K. Estate and the Chazhur Kovilagam. He has to conduct the annual jamabandy. The Legislative Council matters requiring his attention have also increased. From his own personal experience as Diwan Peishkar, the Secretary to Government remarked that he could safely say that it is sheer physical impossibility for one man to attend to all this work.

The non-official members wanted to know what work is going to be allotted to the Personal Assistant.

It was explained that he will be exercising a general supervision over the Office and that he will be disposing of all the encroachment cases and applications for quarrying. In land acquisition cases, he will attend to everything excepting the passing of awards. Further all routine matters such as sending of reminders, etc., will also be attended to by him.

Mr. Bhaskara Menon observed that the Personal Assistant will be only "a Tahsildar upon another Tahsildar" and he was of opinion

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that the Manager of the Diwan Peishkar's Office would be able to look after all these duties.

The Secretary to Government informed the members that the post was sanctioned only after repeated requests. It was only after calling for every detail and after a personal inspection of the Diwan Peishkar's Office by the Diwan, that the post was finally sanctioned.

C. Supplies and Services

The non-official members wanted to know why the item "Contribution to Municipalities" was provided for under this head.

The Secretary to Government explained that it represented the pay of the Municipal Surveyor who works under the Land Revenue Department.

Assessment of Sirkar lands outside the State

Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar suggested to dispose of Government lands outside the State.

He was told that Government are prepared to do so, provided there are suitable offers.

D. Contingencies

Mr. B. M. Peter wanted to know details regarding the provision of Rs. 2,260, the R. E. of 1115 towards "Capital".

The Comptroller of Finance and Accounts explained that that amount is to be paid to the Railway Co., for rendition work.

H. Fisheries

Mr. Bhaskara Menon asked why the post of the Inspector of Fisheries is still retained, after the Inspector has been made Superintendent.

The Joint Secretary said that the post of the Superintendent has been created only as a temporary measure. The present Superintendent was Inspector previously, and if the post of Superintendent happens to be abolished, he will have no place in the permanent establishment unless the Inspector's post is retained.

Supplies and Services

The non-official members remarked that the amount of Rs. 3,500 provided for next year for "Petrol and Accessories to the Fishery motor boat" is too much.

The Secretary to Government said that a sum of Rs. 2,500 is necessary for effecting some major repairs to the Fishery motor boat. (The purchase of a new boat of the present size would come to at least Rs. 7,000 or Rs. 8,000). The balance will be required

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for the purchase of petrol and other accessories for the boat.

Contingencies

Mr. B. M. Peter wanted to know why as against the R. E. figure of Rs. 2,300 for the current year a sum of Rs. 5,400 was provided for next year against "miscellaneous".

The Comptroller of Finance and Accounts explained the increase was due to the larger provision made for the work of bunding the area of fishing stakes in Mulavukad village, which could not be taken up in the current year.

Land Revenue Demand passed.

2. AGRICULTURE

1. Agriculture. (Proper)—Supplies and Services

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar wanted to know why a sum of Rs. 1,500 was being provided every year for "Instruments and accessories".

The Joint Secretary explained that there is a laboratory attached to the Central Farm and the amount is necessary for the purchase of equipments and chemical apparatus required for the laboratory. The prices of chemicals are also going up.

Contingencies

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar wanted to know why a sum of Rs. 5,000 or more was provided against "miscellaneous" every year.

A sum of Rs. 5,000 has to be paid every year to the Imperial Council of Agricultural Research. This payment will continue for a period of 10 years.

2. Farm operations—Supplies and Services

Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar asked why a sum of Rs. 700 was provided for the purchase of seed. He suggested that the department should reserve the required quantity of seeds from their produce rather than purchase the seed from outside every year. Noted.

Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar suggested that demonstrations in ryots' lands should be made more effective. Noted.

3. Seed and Manure Depots

Mr. B. M. Peter wanted to know the reason why a sum of Rs. 2,500 was budgetted for next year as against the R. E. of Rs. 410 for the current year and the actuals of Rs. 319 for 1114 under "Other Charges".

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The Joint Secretary explained that the provision included a sum of Rs. 2,250 required for the construction of a manure depot at Cranganur.

6. Maintenance of Gardens—III—Gardens attached to Residential Quarters

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon wanted to know which all gardens came under "the Gardens attached to Residential Quarters." He was told that they are the gardens attached to the Diwan's House and Rama Mandir, the Travellers' Bungalow at Ernakulam, the Pudia Kovilakam at Trichur, the Cochin House at New Delhi, the Tullocks Gardens, Madras and the Elkhill Palace, Coonoor.

Mr. Bhaskara Menon was of opinion that there was no necessity for any lump provision for laying out pipes, etc., in the gardens at Ernakulam.

The Joint Secretary said that posts of some gardeners were abolished last year. The laying of pipe lines would do away with the necessity of carrying water from one end to the other by the gardeners. Recurring expenditure could therefore be reduced by laying the pipes.

The Committee adjourned for lunch at 2-40 and re-assembled at 3-45 p.m.

9. Special Contribution For Rural Development

Mr. Bhaskara Menon remarked that the items proposed to be done by the Agricultural Department need not be undertaken inasmuch as identical activities are being carried on at the Rural Development Centre at Cherpu.

On being explained that the cattle, goats, etc., are purchased for distribution among societies in the several villages, he withdrew his remarks.

The demand for Agriculture passed.

3. VILLAGE PANCHAYATS

Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar said that the funds under "Panchayats" were not evenly distributed now among the various Panchayats. He suggested that this should be done in future.

The Comptroller of Finance and Accounts said that it was a matter of detail which has to be considered by the Panchayat Advisory Committee.

B. Contributions to Village Panchayats

(g) Communications

Messrs. Ramachandra Ayyar and Peter said that the allotment for the next year towards maintenance and repairs were by far less

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than the actuals for the year 1114. They suggested that increased provision should be made under those heads. Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar also said that the condition of most of the Panchayat roads is far from satisfactory.

The Joint Secretary explained that in the case of "maintenance" there is not much difference in the figures for the current year and next year and in the case of "repairs" the allotment for the current year is less by Rs. 1,000 than the budgetted figure for the next year. The high figures for the year 1114 may be due to the undertaking of some major works such as land acquisition for the purpose of widening the roads and so on.

(h) Water Supply

The non-official members wanted to know why as against the R. E. of Rs. 25,407 only a sum of Rs. 13,187 was provided for next year.

The Joint Secretary said that over and above this allotment, there is a special contribution of Rs. 17,000 under water supply.

The demand for Panchayats passed.

4. CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES

The non-official members wanted to know why a provision for special contribution of Rs. 4,000 for Rural Development was made under "Co-operative Societies".

The provision is for meeting the charges on account of the Central Marketing Society and to give some direct financial help to fish marketing societies for the purchase of nets, etc.

The demand under Co-operative Societies passed.

7. EXCISE

Contingencies

The Comptroller of Finance and Accounts explained that the large increase under "Office Expenses" and "Miscellaneous" was due to the establishment of new out-posts at the two new Railway Stations at Ernakulam (north and south) and at the Willingdon Island. Provision was also made under "miscellaneous" for land acquisition charges and construction of the out-posts.

The demand for Excise passed.

8. MATCHES

The demand for Matches passed.

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9. STAMPS

The demand for stamps passed.

11. FOREST AND TRAMWAY

A. Conservancy and Works

The non-official members wanted to know the details regarding "Transport charges" and "other charges" under "1 (*a*) By Tramway."

The details were furnished.

The Committee rose for the day at 4-35 p.m.

Thursday, *11th July 1940* / *28th Mithunam 1115*

The Committee met at 12 noon today in the Diwan's room with M. R. Ry., K. Achyuta Menon Avl., Secretary to Government in the Chair. All the members were present.

The following items of Supplementary Grants were first taken up and passed.—

(1) Rs. 300 under "16-Law and Justice-B (2)-District Court—Miscellaneous".
(2) Rs. 45 under "16-B (2)-District Court—Cleaning Charges".
(3) Rs. 24 under "16-B (3)-Munsiffs' Court—Cleaning Charges".

BUDGET—1116

Disbursements

Discussion on the demand under Forests and Tramway was resumed.

11. Forests and Tramway.—*(cont.)*

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar suggested that the temporary establishment in the Tramway Department may be made permanent. He said most of the officers in the temporary establishment have served for 10 or 15 years and that their case should be sympathetically considered. He also stated that they should be given Hill Allowance also as in the case of permanent officers. Noted.

Demand under Forests and Tramway passed.

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12. REGISTRATION

Establishment

Mr. B. M. Peter wanted to know why an increased provision of about Rs. 5,000 was made under establishment charges.

The increase was explained to be mainly due to the proposed revival of the 5 Registrars' posts which were kept in abeyance as a measure of retrenchment.

Demand under Registration passed.

13. ANCHAL

Demand under Anchal passed.

14. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Establishment

Mr. Bhaskara Menon wanted to know why the staff of the Secretariat was proposed to be strengthened by 5 hands.

The Secretary to Government explained that the increase in the number was due to the amalgamation of the Legislative Council establishment with the Secretariat establishment.

Contingencies

Mr. Bhaskara Menon asked why a sum of Rs. 15,850 was estimated for next year as against Rs. 3,500 towards printing charges.

It was pointed out that the cost of printing Part I of the Gazette, would hereafter be debited to the Secretariat. A large sum also was required for the printing of the volumes of the Acts and Proclamations. The cost of printing the Legislative Council Proceedings and the Bills connected with the Legislative Council works would also come under this provision.

To another question by the same member, the Comptroller of Finance and Accounts said that the sum of Rs. 5,000 provided for "Miscellaneous" would include an amount of Rs. 2,000 towards the expenditure connected with the general elections to the Legislative Council in 1116.

Legislative Council—Contingencies

The non-official members suggested that more amount should be allotted for the purchase of books for the Legislative Council Library. Mr. Bhaskara Menon was of opinion that at least Rs. 400 should be provided for this purpose every year. Noted.

Demand for General Administration passed.

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15. FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS

Contingencies

Mr. Bhaskara Menon wanted to know the reason why a sum of Rs. 1,150 was provided for next year towards "office expenses" as against Rs. 400, the R. E. for the current year.

The increase was on account of the purchase of a typewriter and a duplicator for the Comptroller's Office.

Demand for Finance and Accounts passed.

16. LAW AND JUSTICE

Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar said that the seating accommodation provided for vakils and clients in the District and Munsiffs' Courts is inadequate. He suggested that better seating arrangements should be made in these courts.

The Secretary to Government said there is sufficient accommodation in the District Courts. As regards the Munsiffs' Courts, allotment for the purchase of furniture was being made every year.

Mr. Bhaskara Menon said that the provision of Rs. 1,500 for the purchase of books and periodicals for the High Court is inadequate. Most of the periodicals and law books purchased there are very costly and so he suggested that some more amount should be provided for books.

The member was told that a decent sum is being provided for the High Court Library every year.

Demand for Law and Justice passed.

17. JAILS

Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar observed that the Central Jail was over-crowded and suggested that increased accommodation should be provided.

It was explained to him that a scheme for the extension of the Jail Buildings is pending with the Government and the question of increased accommodation is also being considered by them.

Demand for Jails passed.

18. POLICE

Allowances

Mr. Bhaskara Menon suggested that the local allowance to constables working in towns and on traffic duty should be enhanced. The rate of allowance given at present is very meagre. Noted.

Demand for police passed.

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19. EDUCATION

2. Collegiate Education

Mr. Bhaskara Menon wanted to know what all works are at present attended to by the Principal of the Maharaja's College and whether he is a full time officer.

The Principal exercises general supervision over the whole College and he is responsible for the proper working of the College. He is the officer who now carries on correspondence with the Government and the University in all matters connected with the College. He is the Warden of the Hostels. Excepting between 8 a.m. and 12 noon when he has been permitted to attend to work connected with the Navy in the Willingdon Island, the Principal is available in the College. He is discharging his duties in the College on all days.

Contingencies

Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar asked why Rs. 2,000 more was provided for next year towards "Library allowance."

The Joint Secretary said that a sum of Rs. 2,000 is required for the printing of the 3 volumes of the College Library Catalogue.

Mr. Bhaskara Menon opined that the amount of Rs. 2,000 is too much for this purpose and observed that it could be reduced.

The Joint Secretary explained that the amount of Rs. 2,000 is not too much and that it is the lowest figure quoted by some of the private presses. The idea is to print 2500 copies and to sell it to the students of the College.

Mr. Bhaskara Menon objected to the compulsory realisation of the price of the catalogue from students. The member also suggested to reduce the number of copies proposed to be printed. He suggested that the purchase of the catalogue by the students may be made optional.

Grant-in-aid—Primary Schools

Mr. Peter asked whether the Government propose to aid any new classes in the primary schools this year. He said in many cases classes which were opened two or three years back were not aided and this entailed much difficulty both to the teachers and the management. He suggested that increased provision should be made under this head.

The member was told that almost all classes started 3 years back were given aid last year. A special grant of Rs. 3,200 is also provided for next year.

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8. Miscellaneous (c) Contingencies

Messrs. Ramachandra Ayyar and Peter said that the amount of Rs. 5,000 provided for Boys Scout establishment was unnecessary and that it could be better utilised for giving aid to some new classes.

Demand for Education passed.

22. MEDICAL

Mr. Bhaskara Menon suggested that something by way of allowance should be given to all the Honorary Doctors in the State Medical Service.

The Comptroller of Finance and Accounts said that it is a matter to be considered by the Advisory Committee.

The non-official members observed that the allotment for "Dietary Charges" in the Hospitals is quite insufficient and suggested it should be increased.

Mr. Ramchandra Ayyar suggested to raise the allowance given to the Medical officers in charge of Rural Dispensaries.

Mr. Peter suggested to give some more contribution to provide additional accommodation in the Leper Hosital at Adur.

Demand for Medical passed.

23. AYURVEDA

Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar suggested that free diet should be provided for the in-patients in the Ayurvedic Hospital.

The Secretary to Government said that the expenditure under this head is mounting up. He pointed out that as against the actuals of Rs. 36,159 for 1114 a sum of Rs. 43,800 is provided for next year under Ayurveda. At present medicines are supplied free to the patients. It is proposed to spend Rs. 7,500 for the construction of an in-patient ward and other extensions to the R. V. C. A. Hospital.

Demand under Ayurveda passed.

24. PUBLIC HEALTH

1. Sanitation works proper

Mr. Peter wanted details of the provisions under "Improvement Works", Ernakulam and Mattancheri towns.

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The details were furnished.

Mr. Bhaskara Menon asked why no provision was made for the improvement of the Nemmara Town next year.

The Joint Secretary said that Nemmara would become a Town Council shortly and that out of the lump provision of Rs. 3,000 provided for contribution to Town Councils, a major portion would go to Nemmara.

The Committee adjourned for lunch at 2-45 p.m. and reassembled at 3-45 p.m.

Supplies and Services

The non-official members suggested that intensive measures should be taken to stamp out the small-pox epidemic and that whatever expenditure necessary should be provided for.

It was explained that Government always used to sanction additional amounts when necessities were brought to their notice by the Department for preventing epidemic disease.

Demand for Public Health passed.

26. STATIONERY AND PRINTING

Demand for Stationery and Printing passed.

28. PUBLIC WORKS

A. Civil Engineering—2. Communications

Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar remarked that the condition of the roads in this State is extremely bad. The traffic in our roads is growing day by day and increased provision should be made for road maintenance.

The Secretary to Government pointed out that as against the actuals of Rs. 1,85,732 for 1114 and the R. E. of Rs: 1,98,181 for the current year a sum of Rs. 2,14,762 was budgetted for "Repairs, etc.," for next year.

Mr. Bhaskara Menon suggested that there should be one main trunk road maintained by the P. W. D. in villages like Chennamangalam.

Mr. Peter wanted to know why the Chellanam-Pandikkudi road work was not commenced yet.

The member was told that that road work was dropped by the Road Board since a sum of about Rs. 3 lakhs was found necessary for it.

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3. Buildings

Item 178.—Mr. Bhaskara Menon said there is no necessity at present to construct any buildings attached to the public offices at Trichur and that the allotment of Rs. 25,000 provided on that behalf is unnecessary. He also objected to the system of providing for works for which proper estimates were not drawn up.

The Secretary to Government said that out of the provision of Rs. 25,000 about Rs. 20,000 is necessary for the construction of a new building to house the Office of the Survey and Land Records. The building at present occupied by that office is old and needs immediate exhaustive repairs. The cost of effecting the repairs would come to Rs. 12,000 or 13,000. It was therefore thought advisable to construct a new building.

Mr. Bhaskara Menon was of opinion that this expenditure is unnecessary now, since there are other vital necessities to be attended to immediately. Mr. Peter was of opinion that it is better to construct a new building rather than spend Rs. 12,000 over a dilapidated building.

Item 191.—Construction of sports pavilion, Maharaja's College

Mr. Bhaskara Menon said there is no necessity to construct a sports pavilion worth Rs. 9,750 since there is already an old pavilion there. Messrs. Ramachandra Ayyar and Peter said that it is a luxury which the Government cannot afford now. It was pointed out that the existing old pavilion was in a most dilapidated condition and that it served no useful purpose. The Medical Inspector pointed out the necessity for constructing a new pavilion and Government sanctioned the proposal after mature consideration, limiting the expenditure to sheer necessities. The University also insisted on the construction of such a pavilion.

The members then observed that the expenditure under this item should be at least reduced as far as possible.
The Committee rose at 5 p.m.

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Friday, *12th July 1940* / *29th Mithunam 1115*

The Committee met today at 12-25 p.m. in the Diwan's room in the Secretariat with M. R. Ry. K. Achyuta Menon Avl., the Secretary to Government, in the Chair. All the members were present.

BUDGET ESTIMATE 1116
DISBURSEMENTS

Discussion on the demand under Public Works was resumed.

28. PUBLIC WORKS.—*(cont.)*

Item 223

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon said that already a good amount was spent on the Ram Mohan Palace and that the present provision of Rs. 3,470 for works in the Ram Mohan Palace should be omitted.

The Secretary to Government explained that the amount is necessary for carrying out some protective works there.

Item Nos. 236 to 238

Mr. Peter said that the provision of Rs. 9,000 for the construction of groynes at Andikadavu, Chellanem, etc., villages is insufficient, since much damage is caused to these villages due to sea erosion. He suggested that some more amount should be allotted for protective works in Manacheri in Palluruthi village.

Mr. Bhaskara Menon suggested that some provision should be made in the B. E. for 1116 for undertaking works to facilitate the irrigation of Puthenpadam nilams.

Item No. 245

Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar suggested to abolish the Irrigation Board. In his opinion, the Board is not doing any useful work. He was of opinion that an irrigation expert should be got down, if necessary, to prepare a comprehensive scheme for the whole State. Messrs. Bhaskara Menon and Ramachandra Ayyar said that a sum of one lakh of rupees should be allotted for major irrigation works in all the Taluks except Chittur.

Item No. 271

Messrs. Bhaskara Menon and Ramachandra Ayyar wanted to know the details of the provision of Rs. 7,000 for filling up the foreshore to the north of Ram Mohan Palace.

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The Secretary to Government said that the amount is for filling up the swampy area lying adjacent to the Ram Mohan Palace. The Railway Company will relinquish it shortly and this amount is required for converting the place into habitable areas.

Mr. Bhaskara Menon expressed the view that it is not an urgent item of work.

Item No. 282

Mr. Bhaskara Menon suggested that the special grant of Rs. 75,000 for buildings, Medical Department, should be utilised only for works in rural areas. Messrs. Peter and Bhaskara Menon said that in any case some amount at least out of this special allotment should be utilised for improving the dispensaries at Kandakkadavu and Ayyampilly.

Demand for Public Works passed.

30. SCIENTIFIC, ETC., DEPARTMENTS

Mr. Ramachandra Ayyar said that the provision for the purchase of animals to the State Zoo is too small and suggested that it should be increased.

Mr. Bhaskara Menon observed that the lump provision of Rs. 500 for "Archaeological Works" is highly excessive.

Demand for Scientific, etc., Departments passed.

31. INDUSTRIES—RESERVED

Demand passed.

32. INDUSTRIES—TRANSFERRED

Demand passed.

33. RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon suggested that the Rural Development Centre at Cherpu should be abolished and the amount at present spent on it should be distributed among other centres.

Demand for Rural Development passed.

35. UPLIFT OF THE DEPRESSED CLASSES

Demand passed.

37. INCOME-TAX

Demand passed.

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38. MISCELLANEOUS

Diwan's House—Contingencies

Mr. Bhaskara Menon enquired whether it will not be possible to reduce the provisions of Rs. 1,500 under "Purchase and Repair of Furniture" and Rs. 3,500 under "Miscellaneous" for the Diwan's House.

It was explained to the member that further reduction is not possible.

Demand for Miscellaneous passed.

40. CAPITAL OUTLAY

Demand passed.

41. INVESTMENTS MADE

Demand passed.

42. STATE LOANS REPAID

Demand passed.

43. DEPOSITS

Demand passed.

CRANGANUR BUDGET

Mr. Bhaskara Menon suggested that all educational institutions in the Cranganur taluk should be treated as State-aided institutions and that they should be given grant-in-aid.

Demands under all votable heads in the Cranganur Budget passed.

The Committee rose at 2-45 p.m.

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